for the extradition of Prabhakaran and Pottu Amman who are the prime accused in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case? I am very sorry to say things are not moving as they should. The Ministry of External Affairs and also the persons investigating the case should expedite the matter and bring to India the two prime accused in the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi. They should expedite the procedure. That is the important point. What is the Minister's reply?

SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO: We shall definitely take all steps to expedite the procedure. But there is no way in which we can take the initiative either in this case or in any case for the extradition of someone.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: The designated court has issued arrest warrants against the two persons and it is known to everyone.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): Certainly we are interested in the extradition proceedings being started there and in bringing to book Prabhakaran and the other person whom my friend mentioned. Both these people will have to be arrested and we are going to take up this issue with the Sri Lankan Government. The second point is about the LTTE. Banning of the LTTE is a matter which is engaging the attention of our Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs.

कुमारी सईदा खातून: सर, यहां पर इस बार भी "श्री राजीव गांधी" नहीं लिखा गया और "श्री प्रभाकरन" लिखा गया है। सर, यह शिकायत हमको पिछली बार भी थी और आज भी यही शिकायत है हमको...**(व्यवधान)**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Jayanthi Natarajan.

कुमारी सईदा खातून: ये लोग हत्यारों के नाम के साथ "श्री" लिखते हैं और राजीव गांधी के नाम के आगे "श्री" नहीं लगाया। चाहे इंग्लिश में देखिए, चाहे हिन्दी में देखिए...**(व्यवधान)**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mrs. Renuka Chowdhury.

कुमारी सईदा खातून: यह चीज लिखते वक्त ध्यान देना चाहिए। पिछली बार भी हम लोगों ने यही चीज दिखाई थी और आज भी यही चीज है...**(व्यवधान)**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Bringing Chit Funds and Real Estate Sector Under the Purview of MRTP Act

*265. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA:
DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to bring Chit Funds and Real Estate Sectors under the purview of the M.R.T.P. Act; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI K. VIJAYA BHASKARA REDDY): (a) and (b) As per Section 2(r) of the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 as amended by the MRTP (Amendment) Act, 1991, chit funds and real estate sectors have been brought within the purview of the MRTP Act.

Effect of Cartel of viscose filament yarn Manufacturers on powerloom and handloom weavers

*266. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that powerloom and handloom weavers are suffering due to the activities of a powerful cartel of viscose filament yarn manufacturers, who are reportely hiking the prices and are curtailing deliveries; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to bring down the prices and contain the activities of the cartel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) While the prices of Viscose Filament Yarn have risen during the last one year, no curtailment of deliveries of Viscose Filament Yarn

*The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri Tindiranam G. Venkataraman.

and forming a cartel by the manufacturers have been notices by the Government.

(b) A meeting was convened on 27.1.1992 with spinners and weavers of Viscose Filament Yarn, where the spinners were directed to arrest any further increase in prices and also to bring down the prices. The spinners have reported that the prices of some deniers have come down by R. 5/- to 10/- per Kg.

गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र में रुग्ण कपड़ा मिलें

267. **डा० जिनेन्द्र कुमार जैन:**
श्री रणजीत सिंह:

क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिसंबर, 1991 में देश में गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र में ऐसी कपड़ा मिलें बड़ी संख्या में थीं जो निरन्तर घाटे में चल रही थी या रुग्ण थी;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन में कितनी पूंजी लगी हुई है तथा उनमें नियोजित कर्मकारों की संख्या कितनी है;

(ग) 1990-91 के वित्तीय वर्ष तक इन्हें कितना घाटा हो चुका था; और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र के इन रुग्ण कपड़ा मिलों के लिए कोई प्रभावकारी योजना तैयार की है; यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अशोक गहलोत): (क) से (घ) बी० आई० एफ० आर० द्वारा दी गई सूचना के अनुसार 31-12-1991 की स्थिति के अनुसार निजी क्षेत्र में 199 रुग्ण वस्त्र कम्पनियां (मध्यम और बड़े स्तर की) थीं। इन मिलों में निवेशित रिज़र्व जमा प्रदत्त पूंजी 38530.68 लाख रु० है और इनमें कार्यरत कामगारों की संख्या 1.85 लाख (लगभग) है। इन कम्पनियों के संचित घाटे 109949.40 लाख रु० के हैं।

सरकार ने इन मिलों की रुग्णता की समस्या को रोकने के लिए नोहीरा अभिकरण, औद्योगिक एवं वित्तीय पुनर्निर्माण बोर्ड (बी० आई० एफ० आर०), वस्त्र आधुनिकीकरण निधि योजना (टी० एम० एफ० एस०) और वस्त्र कामगार पुनर्वासन निधि योजना (टी० डब्ल्यू० आर० एफ० एस०) की स्थापना की है।

Working of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations

268. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to streamline the working of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations;

(b) the sanctioned budget for the year 1991-92 for the Council and the details of expenditure during the same period;

(c) whether Advisory Committees for different regions have been constituted;

(d) since when the meetings of the Advisory Committees have not been held; and

(e) the reasons for not holding meetings of the Advisory Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The decisions/directives of the General Assembly, Governing Body and the Finance Committee ensure the smooth and efficient working of ICCR.

(b) Rs. 13.50 crores. Details are laid on the Table of the House as per statements. (*See* below)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) Since the reconstitution of the Advisory Panels in October, 1991 two meetings of the Advisory Panel for South and South East Asia have been held separately on 23rd October and 4th December, 1991. Meetings of the Advisory Panels for other regions will be held shortly.

Statement

Expenditure Abstract

Sl. No.	Head of Appropriation	Allocations for 1991-92	Actuals Exp. to the end of Feb., 1992
		(Figures in Lakhs of Rupees)	
A.	*General Activities* *Revenues Accounts*		
1.	Incoming & Outgoing Visitors/Delegations	415.00	356.35